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An Important Hearing Involving
300,000 AcresOF LAND IN MICHIGAN BEFORE SEC-
RETARY VILAS.A Number of Villages Have Been Erected
On the Disputed Tract—Extract From
Secretary Vilas's Report on the Con-
dition of the Navy—Other Washington
Notes.WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—An important
hearing took place indirectly involving
300,000 acres of land in Michigan before
Secretary Vilas at the interior department
Friday. It is the most important land case
that has arisen in the department for
several years. It involves indirectly about 300,
000 acres in Michigan, originally granted to
the several railroads in that state.Some 1,300 acres of swamp lands are
claimed by the state of Michigan, under the
act of September 28, 1850. Subsequently the
lands were surveyed and declared not to be
swamps. They were taken from the state,
and as such opened by the government to
private entry. This action the state disputes,
holding that the action of the government
in originally declaring the lands "swamp
lands" was final.The roads now own some 180,000 acres of
them. About one year ago the state began
the prosecution of these suits to recover the
land, the present value of which is some-
thing like \$2,000,000. The case involves the
larger part of all the railroad lands in the
upper peninsula of Michigan, and if the
claim of the state holds good, whole villages
will be found to have been erected upon
lands purchased from the railroad compa-
nies, and to which they never possessed a
title.The suits were brought in the name of the
state by Cyrus G. Luce, governor, and ex-
cused by the state, and many other lead-
ing lawyers of the state, have been retained
as counsel. The point in the claim of the
state is that the lands which were granted to
the railroads were erroneously marked on
the books of the land office, and that they
rightfully belonged to the state as swamp
lands under the general act of 1850. The
officials of the land office say that if the
lands were really swamps, and the state has
a legal and equitable claim, no matter to
whom the railroads have disposed of them.Messrs. Britton and Gray appeared for the
state of Michigan. The railroad men
present were: William L. Webber,
president of the Flint & Pere Mar-
quette railway; T. J. O'Brien, gen-
eral counsel of the Grand Rapids & In-
diana; O. M. Barnes, of the Jackson, Lan-
sing & Saginaw; Ashley Pond, attorney of
the Michigan Central, and J. A. Chandler,
of Chicago, solicitor of the Minnesota rail-
way and mining syndicate. These roads, to
avoid the old sections of the lands in ques-
tion were granted, have disposed of a large
portion of them, and the present owners
comprise many of the wealthy men in the
northwest, including both of the Michi-
gan senators and several members of the
house.The secretary's decision is not expected for
several weeks.

Unarmored Ships.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—Secretary Vilas
has presented his annual report to the pres-
ident. He says:"So far as armored ships are concerned,
the subject is yet to be treated in a broad
way by the department and by congress.
At present the conditions are such that
everything necessary to a first-class
fighting ship can be produced and
furnished to the department in this
country as soon as in the course of
construction any element or feature is
required; but this has never heretofore until
the present time been true, and therefore
the consideration of the subject has been
necessarily postponed by the department
until the present. The efforts of the depart-
ment in ship construction have necessarily,
since March, 1885, been devoted to un-
armored vessels; and as to these the depart-
ment is able to report that when the
ships in course of construction and those
authorized shall have been completed,
the United States will rank second among
the nations in the possession of unarmored
cruisers or 'commerce destroyers' having the
highest characteristics, viz., of a size 3,000
tons and upwards, and possessing speed nine-
teen knots and upwards."

The Inaugural Ball.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—A contract has
been signed by Governor Black and Chair-
man Patton, of the inaugural committee,
for the use of the pension building in which to
hold the inaugural ball.When the notification committee appointed
by the Chicago convention had waited upon
Gen. Harrison and Mr. Morton, they
adjoined to meet in Washington on inaugu-
ral day.Mr. John C. Dougherty, secretary of the
committee, has arranged for quarters and a
place in the inaugural procession for the
committee, which is composed of one dele-
gate from each state, territory and the Dis-
trict of Columbia. It is expected that many
of the members of the committee will be ac-
companied by their wives.

It Was An Accident.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—There is no founda-
tion for the story that during an exhibi-
tion given by Mitchell and Kilrain at Kier-
man's theater Thursday night a shot was
fired, intended for one of them. J. W.
Robinson, a drunken rowdy, accidentally
discharged a pistol in an upper box, the ball
lodging in the ceiling. The report was not
noticed by the audience, which supposed it
to be part of the performance. Robinson
was locked up on a charge of carrying con-
cealed weapons, and was fined \$20 this morn-
ing. Friends of Kilrain and Mitchell are
very sore over the cool reception accorded
them in the fictitious arena here, and have
endeavored to exaggerate the incident into
an evidence of hostility.

The Southern Democrats.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—The World's Wash-
ington correspondent telegraphs an inter-
view with "one of the most prominent and
influential Democrats in the United States,"
whose name is not given, but who is de-
scribed as having been for over a quarter of
a century one of the recognized leaders of
the party. He declares that the southern
Democrats, while forming only a minority
of the party, have arrogated to themselves
the best offices in congress, and that their
prominence had a very decided effect on
the election. He complains of the relega-
tion of well known Democrats of the northto interior posts, and claims a more
modestly on the part of the southern leaders
is desirable.

Hayti Pays an Indemnity of \$10,000.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—The United States
consul at Port-au-Prince informs the de-
partment of state under date of November
18, that the schooner William Jones, of
Boston, Mass., which was captured on the
20th of October while proceeding to Gon-
nives, and arbitrarily ordered to Port-au-
Prince, has been released, and an indemnity
of \$10,000 paid to Capt. Collins, the principal
owner, and all port charges and custom du-
ties on the cargo remitted. The consul says
this may be considered a very satisfactory
disposition of the incident of the illegal cap-
ture and detention of the vessel.

Disbursements Unusually Large.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—The treasury dis-
bursements have been unusually large dur-
ing the month of November, the pension pay-
ments alone amounting to \$22,000,000. In
consequence of this it is estimated that the
department that the public debt statement will
show an apparent increase of \$11,500,000 in
the debt since November 1, instead of the
usual monthly reduction. There is, of course,
no actual increase in the debt itself, but
merely a reduction in the cash in the
treasury available for the payment of the debt.

Chief of the Dead Letter Office.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—S. R. Hall, of Min-
nesota, was today appointed chief of the
dead letter office.

WHITE CAP WARNINGS.

Ripley and Manchester, Ohio, and An-
gusta, Kentucky, Greatly Excited.
RIPLEY, O., Dec. 3.—White cap warnings
are getting frequent in this part of the
country.Thursday night Chief Thompson received a
postal card from the White Caps, at least it
was signed as such, telling him to notify Jim
Ashton and Bob Harris, a white man who
lives with a colored woman, that they were
onto them, and in consequence Ashton left
this part of the country.Several others have been warned, and
they are shivering with fear. Consternation
has seized upon the colored people, and every-
body goes armed at night.A great deal of excitement is now observ-
able in this place over a report, that Messrs.
Henry Fleig and Harvey Ramsey, two gen-
tlemen who had been over to Georgetown at-
tending a trial, had seen the White Caps on
their way here.A reporter called upon Mr. Fleig, what-
man of Ripley, and asked him about it.
Mr. Fleig said that about two miles out they
had met two men disguised similar to those
that visited Sardinia. Both gentlemen were
unarmed, but the White Caps, if such they
were, simply peered into their faces and per-
mitted them to go on untouched. Excite-
ment is at a fever heat.

They Visit Manchester.

MANCHESTER, O., Dec. 3.—The White
Caps visited Manchester Thursday night,
and posted the following notices:"Evil doers, men and women, take warn-
ing. First, the visitor; second, the per-
suader; third, the helper; fourth, the regu-
lator.""We are coming. Prepare for better or
worse. WHIPS, Advance Agent."

The town is all excitement.

White Caps in Kentucky.

AUGUSTA, Ky., Dec. 3.—The people of
this city were thrown into a state of excite-
ment by finding a White Cap notice posted
on a tree warning several of our best citi-
zens to shun the town and others to keep off
the streets after certain hours of the night.
The usual skull, cross bones and whip, em-
blematic of the order, were displayed in
vivid colors.

Women Not Whipped.

WINCHESTER, O., Dec. 3.—There is no
truth whatever in the report sent out from
Sardinia that a Mrs. Jester and her daugh-
ter had been switched on their naked backs
by the White Caps. The excitement has not
abated, however, and a visit is looked for on
Saturday night.

Official Returns From Wisconsin.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 3.—The belated
official returns from remote counties have
come in.The official canvass shows that the total
vote for president is 84,644, an increase of
34,776 over the vote of 1884. The vote of
1884 was 51,868, an increase over that of
1880 of 32,704.Harrison's plurality, as stated, is 21,471;
Blaine's plurality in 1884 was 14,630, a gain
for Harrison of 6,841. Governor Hoar's
plurality is 20,293; Governor Rusk's plurality
in 1886 was 18,718, a gain for Hoar of 1,575.
The prohibition vote of the state, for pre-
sident, is 14,277; the vote for St. John in 1884
was 7,656, a gain for Fisk of 6,621, or, com-
paring the prohibition vote of 1886, Olin for
governor, 7,039, there is a loss of 3,282. The
labor vote of the state for president is
5,602; the vote for Cochrane for governor in
1886 was 18,118, a loss for Streeter of 10,166.

The Switchmen's Strike.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 3.—The situation re-
garding the strike does not show any signs
of immediate improvement. The strikers
remain firm, and all efforts at a compromise
have so far been unavailing. Chief Sargent,
of the Firemen's Brotherhood, has been here
for several days, and Chief Arthur is ex-
pected in a day or two. Railroads are
moving some cars with the new men and the
aid of passenger conductors acting as switch-
men, but the blockade continues. The supply
is short, and a severe cold spell now
would cause much suffering.

Coal Mines Shut Down.

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 3.—All of the coal mines
along the Monongahela river have closed
indefinitely. The operators claim that they
have been losing money on account of
over-supply, and are unable to keep their men
at work. Over five thousand miners are
thrown out of employment. They are illy
prepared for a shut down at this season, and
much suffering will no doubt result. The
closing of the mines also makes a large num-
ber of boat builders, caulkers and river men
idle. It is estimated that over fifty million
bushels of coal are now tied up at points
down the Ohio river, for which there is no
market except at prices which are a loss to
the operators.

Convicts Killed by an Explosion.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Dec. 3.—The second fatal
dynamite explosion on the Kentucky
Midland railroad within ten days occurred
Thursday afternoon. Four men were killed
and several dangerously wounded. The men
working at the place where the explosion oc-
curred were all convicts, leased from the
state by contractors on the road. The men
were blasting rock in a cut, when the dynamite
charge was exploded while all were at
work. James McNarry, the boss of the gang,

DISINTEGRATION

Going on In the Ranks of the
Knights of Labor.THE NEW YORK TIMES CALLS POW-
DERLY AN AUTOCRAT.And Says T. B. Barry is Preparing to Ex-
pose the Corrupt Workings of the Gen-
eral Executive Board During the Time
He Was a Member—"What Will the
Disaffected Knights Do?"NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—The Times says:
"The leaven of disintegration in the order
of the Knights of Labor has been strength-
ened by the injustice done to individuals,
local and district assemblies, and the intro-
duction of the system of autocracy in the
person of T. V. Powderly, general master
workman. The leaven will ferment and
froth until the mass will become sour.""T. B. Barry has gone home to prepare for
a thorough exposure of the rottenness and
corruption of the general executive board
during the time that he was a member of it,
and he will afterwards start out on a tour to
work up a new workingmen's organization.
Other disgraced delegates have already
begun the work of secret propaganda
against Powderly, his cabinet and the entire
ring that supports him. Even James E.
Quinn is displeased with Powderly, because
he would not allow his friend, Turner to be
elected general secretary-treasurer."
"David J. Naughton, Philip McGrath and
George W. Dunn, who had gone to Indian-
apolis from the anti-Quinn faction of Dis-
trict Assembly No. 49, have not been idle
since their return from Indianapolis, for they
have been able to form the nucleus of a
new organization. Whether it will be a se-
cret society like the Knights of Labor, or an
open union, it is too early to say, but the
promoters of the new scheme will not affil-
iate with the American Federation of Labor,
because they have no faith in its leading
men. William Reed, another of the delegates
of the anti-Quinn party to the general
assembly, thinks that the order is doomed to
ruin.""That Powderly is an absolute autocrat
no one will question. Should the general
executive board oppose him Reed believes
that he could and would expel any one of
its members that would dare to assert him-
self. He expelled T. B. Barry from the
general executive board before he was
clothed with autocratic power, and that in
spite of the written constitution of the
order, which provides that a knight must
be tried before the court of his local assembly.""Men who have thus far supported Pow-
derly will continue to support him, even if
he should be proved guilty of violating all
of the commandments. It is not because
they are ignorant or fanatic. They are
neither the one or the other. They are simply
politicians, and as long as they know that he
has the disposing of so much patronage
that includes salaries to the amount of
\$49,000, they will stand by him.""As to whether money will keep coming
into the treasury is another question, and
Reed believes that there will be a great fall-
ing off in the amount.""What the disaffected knights will do is
not an easy question to answer. Reed has
no faith in the American Federation of La-
bor, and he doubts whether Barry's move-
ment will succeed. A careful canvass would
first have to be made among the disaffected
members, and the new organization would
develop very slowly. If at all, a se-
cret organization on a large scale
is hardly practicable, as has been
seen with the Knights of Labor, for as soon
as a body of workmen becomes large its
members will talk and the proceedings will
be published."

Withdrawn From the Knights.

BOSTON, Dec. 3.—The piano and organ
varnishers and finishers, at a meeting here
last night, decided to withdraw from the
Knights of Labor and form an open union.
The members of this craft, in times past,
have been among the strongest supporters of
Powderly's policy. There was much enthu-
siasm, and a long list of names was signed to
the roll. If the movement succeeds, the
leaders will endeavor to organize similar
bodies in other cities, and if these join in the
movement an effort will be made to organize
an international union.

The Mine Still Burning.

CALUMET, Mich., Dec. 3.—Fire in the No.
3 shaft of the Calumet and Hecla mine is
still burning fiercely, and is apparently be-
coming more and more out of control, and
will consume timbering in a large part of
the mine. No hope is entering
of rescuing the eight miners and tim-
bermen who were cut off from escape at mid-
night Thursday. Mine officials are pre-
paring to fight the fire with carbonic acid gas
in the same manner as last year. Immense vol-
umes of smoke is issuing from the shafts and
crevices though all are covered.

Booths and Barrett.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—Mr. Lawrence Bar-
rett denies the report that there has been
any rupture in the friendly relations exist-
ing between himself and Edwin Booth.
Barrett says that they contemplate adding
to their repertoire several popular plays,
such as "Richard III," in which Mr. Booth
will play the leading parts; Mr. Barrett acting as
manager of the company. Later in the
season the two tragedians will again appear
together.

Held Up in a Graveyard.

WARREN, Ind., Dec. 1.—George Meyers,
a grave digger, was "held up" by two men
Wednesday night while engaged in digging
a grave at Falls cemetery. Meyers was told
to deliver up his money, but instead ran for
the gate to the grounds. He was closely
followed by the burglars, who pelted him
with rocks. Meyers finally escaped, though
badly bruised.

Boys' Industrial School Report.

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 3.—The managers of
the Boys' Industrial School at Lancaster
have filed their annual report with the gov-
ernor. It shows that the cost of running the
institution was \$47,811.40, or \$46.48 per cap-
ita. Hamilton county has 32 inmates, Cuya-
hoga 26, and Lucas 58, making a total from
all counties of 533. Cuyahoga county sent
57, Hamilton 50, and Lucas 21 during the
current year. Out of the total, 128 are
American, 33 German, and 17 Irish.

Coal in Dakota.

CHAMBERLAIN, Dak., Dec. 3.—A large vein
of coal has just been discovered eight miles
south of this city. The coal is of a good
quality, and arrangements will be made for
further developing the vein at once. The
discovery causes great excitement.

BOLD ANARCHISTS.

Their Thanksgiving Ceremonies in Chicago
of a Startling Character.CHICAGO, Dec. 3.—The Anarchist pow-
er, now on Thanksgiving day at Thalia hall
was of a decidedly startling character. The
place was crowded with men, women and
children.A picture represented an Anarchistic fe-
male waving a particularly dangerous sword
and summoning forth her followers. In the
foreground was a workman engaged in
stabbing with an immense two-edged sword
a serpent, bearing the heads of Bismarck,
the pope, Gladstone and the czar of Russia.
Various men and women armed with the
weapons of the French Communists are is-
suing from subterranean depths under the
tomb of the hanged Anarchists.In the background the Anarchist hosts are
engaged in throwing bombs among the po-
lice, sticking syringes and other unpleasant
implements into capitalists and other ob-
jectionable people. About the margin are
the heads of Parsons and his companions.
Altogether the picture is calculated to strike
terror into the hearts of ordinary people.Herman Luwé recited a poem, "Vater
Unser," the Lord's prayer, which was altered
to suit the anarchistic idea. It condemned
the rich and asked for benefits to the poor.Albert Currier said that Thanksgiving
was nothing less than a farce. The president
did not feel thankful this year, because he
was knocked out. There was no cause of
being thankful. Many millions of people in
this country had to work for their board
from ten to sixteen hours a day. They did
not make enough to buy clothes with
and they could not go without. Half a million
of little children worked in
factories and shops for thirty-five cents a
week, where they were morally and phys-
ically ruined. They had no reason to be
thankful; they ought to curse the existing
society because it was allowed.

A WEEK OVERDUE.

Steamer Domingo Probably Lost—Twenty-
Three Persons on Board.PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 3.—The Earn line
steamship Domingo, Capt. J. T. Wilson,
from St. Jago, for this port, is a week over-
due, and many fear she has foundered with
all on board, twenty-three in number. Cap-
tain Seiders, of the British steamship Abasco,
from Kingston, Jamaica, says that on Novem-
ber 27th, he passed a deeply-laden brigantine-
rigged British steamship. Her fires were
out and the port anchor was used as a drag.
The agents of the Domingo believe this to be
their vessel. The British steamship Napier
was hove to close by, evidently trying to
render the disabled craft assistance.

Held for Murder.

WARREN, Ind., Dec. 3.—Friday morning
an affidavit was filed before a magistrate
here charging Elias Jackson with murder in
the first degree. The prisoner waived a pre-
liminary hearing, and was remanded to jail.
A special grand jury will convene Monday
to consider the case. The examination of
Jackson, the accomplice of Jackson will be
held on Monday. Mrs. Jackson called at
the jail to-day to see her husband, and there
was a tearful scene.

Another Big Mineral Strike.

HELENA, Mont., Dec. 3.—The second big
mineral strike in Helena was made Friday.
The first was about a month ago, on the
principal street of Placer Gold. The strike
Friday was in the residence portion of the
city of a gold quartz vein seven feet wide,
assaying handsomely. Property owners in
the vicinity are much excited.

Two Boys Burned to Death.

CHIPPewa FALLS, Wis., Dec. 3.—A large
barn in the town of Plambeau, this county,
filled with logging supplies, and destroyed
by fire Thursday evening, and two boys
named Woods, who were sleeping in the
barn, were burned to death.

The Weather.

Indications—Fair, preceded by light snow
on the lakes; slightly colder; northeasterly
winds.

FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

Quotations for the Money, Stock, Produce

and Cattle Markets for December 1.

NEW YORK.—Money 2 per cent. Exchange
steady; governments steady.

Currency notes, \$100 bill, four coupons, 123 1/2

bid; four and a half, 108 1/2 bid; four coupons, 123 1/2

The stock market was weak throughout

the half day's session. Prices were on the

down grade almost continuously from the

opening until noon, principally on selling by

London houses and hammering by the smaller

traders here. The bank statement published at

noon was very unfavorable, and added to the

general weakness. The bank reserves show

a decrease of \$2,233,323. The decline at the

close ranged from 1/4 to 2 per cent. The

sales for the morning amounted to 119,245

shares.

Bur. & Quincy... 108 Michigan Cent... 85 1/2

Central Pacific... 35 Missouri Pacific... 73 1/2

C. & O. & L... 35 N. Y. Central... 108 1/2

Del. & Hudson... 115 1/2 Northwestern... 108 1/2

Del. Lack. & W... 100 1/2 Ohio & Miss... 31 1/2

Illinois Central... 119 Pacific Mail... 37 1/2

Lake Shore... 109 1/2 St. Paul... 101 1/2

Louisville & Nash... 41 Western Union... 85 1/2

(Continued.)

WHEAT—\$1 03 1/2 07.

CORN—New, 33 1/2 00; old, 43 1/2 00.

WOOL—Unwashed, fine merino, 18 1/2 00;

one-fourth blood combing, 23 1/2 00; medium